# City of Chandler 2015 Special Census

### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

#### What is a 2015 Special Census?

A Special Census is a basic enumeration of population, housing units, and group quarters conducted by the Census Bureau. This will be achieved by Enumerator's walking around door to door, talking to residents and completing questionnaires.

#### Are there any other cities conducting a Special Census?

Yes. Buckeye, Gilbert, Goodyear, Maricopa, Peoria and Queen Creek.

#### Who requested the 2015 Special Census for the City of Chandler?

The City of Chandler requested the 2015 Special Census be completed, and the City will incur the cost for this to be done. However, the potential for increased state shared revenues from Urban Revenue Sharing, State Shared Sales Tax, and Vehicle License Tax would provide additional funding for the General Government operations of the City. As such, the additional revenue would be available for the City's public safety, parks and recreation, transportation services, libraries and other services for the citizens of Chandler. Additional revenues from the Highway User Revenue Fund distribution would provide additional funding for street maintenance, traffic engineering, and street repaving programs to help maintain City streets.

#### When is the 2015 Special Census taking place?

The U.S. Census Bureau will be testing applicants through August 29. Enumerators will begin going around door to door from October 1 through November 25.

#### How can I help with the Special Census in Chandler?

There are 3 different ways you can help:

- Work for the Census Bureau: If you are interested in participating, please complete an application and bring it to one of the remaining testing dates listed on www.ChandlerAZ.gov/Census.
- <u>Let others know</u>: Help us spread the word to your neighbors, family and friends that Chandler is conducting a Special Census.
- Answer your door: Census Enumerators will be knocking on your door between
  October 1 and November 24. Please answer your door, take the survey and be
  counted! Enumerators will be asking basic demographic information about age, race,
  gender and relationship to householder for each person living in the residence. The
  interview should take approximately 10 minutes to complete. Enumerators will be
  wearing a US Census Bureau identification badge that you can ask to see when they
  knock on your door.

Do I need to be a resident of the City of Chandler to be considered for the 2015 Special Census job opportunities?

No.

## What are the qualifications to be considered for the 2015 Special Census job opportunities?

To be eligible for consideration, you must:

- Be a United States Citizen;
- Be at least 18 years old;
- Have a valid driver's license and a vehicle available for your use;
- Have the ability to hear responses and read questionnaires;
- Have the ability to walk and climb stairs;
- Satisfactorily complete the US Census test in August.

#### Availability requirements:

- Be available to attend a three-day training session in September;
- Have the ability to work 25-40 hours per week from October 1 through November 24;
- Be available for days, evenings and weekends, generally no later than 9:00 p.m.

#### Can City of Chandler employees apply to work the 2015 Special Census?

No, however family, friends and neighbors are welcome to apply!

#### How many positions are you looking to fill?

The U.S. Census Bureau is looking to fill 400 positions for the City of Chandler's 2015 Special Census.

#### What type of positions are you looking to fill, and how much will they pay?

The U.S. Census Bureau is looking to fill Enumerator's at \$16.25 per hour and Crew Leader's at \$17.75 per hour. Assignments will be made by the U.S. Census Bureau based off of test scores. The job description fact sheet can be viewed online by clicking on "Employment" at <a href="https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/specialcensus.html">www.census.gov/programs-surveys/specialcensus.html</a>.

#### Will I be paid for any training and mileage in addition to my hours worked?

Yes, you will be compensated for training and paid for mileage traveled.

#### What will I do as an Enumerator?

Enumerators visit households by walking door to door, and collect a few facts about each household such as name, age, and relationship to the householder.

#### How many hours will I work if I am selected to be a part of the 2015 Special Census?

Enumerators are asked to work 25–40 hours each week, usually evenings and weekends when residents are typically home, usually be no later than 9:00pm. Enumerators will generally have the flexibility to choose which hours to work during these productive time periods.

#### What if I already applied and tested with the US Census Bureau?

If you have already applied and passed the test, then you should be in the US Census Bureau's database. If you are unsure, or you did not pass the test, we recommend completing an application and testing with us again.

#### Whom may I contact with additional questions I have?

You can call (480) 782-3260.